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REMARKS

Claims 1-11, 26-34, and 39-47 are currently pending, of which claims 1, 26, and 39 are in independent form.

Claims 12-25, 35-38, and 48-51 have been canceled without prejudice or limitation.

Favorable consideration of the present application as currently constituted is respectfully requested.

Regarding the Election and Restriction

In the pending Office Action, the following restriction has been made with respect to the present patent application:

This application contains claim groups directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

Group

- I. Claims 1-11, 26-34 and 39-47 drawn to invention with comparing DSI with CDE and Precedence.
- II. Claims 12-16, 35-36 and 48-49 drawn to invention with comparing case identifier with User specified analysis case.
- III. Claims 17, 37, and 50 drawn to invention with CDE, prefix, removing prefix.
- IV. Claims 18-25, 38, and 51 drawn to invention with CDE, prefix, removing corresponding configuration data, determining case identifier, comparing DSI with CDE and precedence.

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In response, Applicant hereby elects the invention defined by Group I comprising claims 1-11, 26-34, and 39-47 for examination.

Additionally, non-elected claims 12-25, 35-38, and 48-51 have been canceled without prejudice or limitation.

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SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, the Examiner is respectfully requested to favorably consider the present patent application and advance the prosecution thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

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